DOCTOR GLARK MAKES **EXHAUSTIVE REVIEW** OF WHOLE SITUATION

Hawaii Workmen Better Off Than In Most tions are paid for by the piece, and Tropical Countries, But Organization of Rural Industry Depends on Character of People: Japanese Cannot Be Thoroughly Americanized Until the Third Generation whole plantation force throughout the their enmps are evolving into rustic

of identured labor, when such a poncy brought their conditions more under the long looked for report of Dr. Victor S. Clark on "Labor labor is not absolutely needed makes labor is not absolutely needed makes smitary Inspectors Employed the cost of producing sugar more in "At the instance of the territorial the cost of producing sugar more in classifications, see formation, many criticisms and some approval of employment conditions here. The report is issued as the regular quinquennial investigation provided for in the Organic Act. Similar investigations were conducted in 1902, 1905 and 1910.

In comment, Doctor Clark says:

Japanese population of the Territory. They have been replaced by another

Asiatic race, the Filipinos, but as over

15,000 of these have been brought to

Hawaii within five wears expressly to

work on plantations, and since the to-

tal number of those who have returned

to the Philippines, together with those

now on plantations, is only about 9000,

it is evident that many of the latter

There are also tables showing the na

tionalities and sex of both skilled and

anskilled groups. He notes that there

en and children employed than of any

There is a comparison of time work

piecework and contracts, and tabulated

on the plantations are working on con-

not take contracts as a rule and do not

cooperate so well. Doctor Clark says:

are more individualistic than Orientals.

and do not cooperate so well; but it is

mainly because comparatively few of

them work as ordinary field laborers

They do work that is paid for at a

better rate, and have less inducement

to go into piccework or contract occu

"The number of contractors, and es

oscially of profit-swarers, rises and

fells with the scarcity or abundance of

inbor. During the shortage of 1902 there were probably more contracts of

this kind than at any subsequent pe

easier labor conditions, and received a

great setback in 1905, when an inva-

ion of leaf hopper, an insect very de

wary about entering into agreements

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erminated by the 'gentlemen's agree

ment' with Japan, in 1908, the result

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ninos, combined with a low price for

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ods in the growth of their crop they

present during the harvest, when their

The rate of pay and the various

labor is particularly needed."

Bonus Systems Discussed

They declined after that with

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Doctor Clark first gives a chonological account of labor immigration since 1820, and a broad, general his | different factories, and is at best very tory of the Islands. Speaking of gen-shifting."
eral labor conditions he says:

Pew Whit Few White Laborers

Oubans Receive More Pay "A large oriental population and a tropical climate make labor conditions Hawaii different from those on the mainland of the United States. But there is probably no other tropical country except northern Queensland where average earnings and the standard of living of workers are as high as in the Islands. Cuban plantation hands receive more pay per day for change. This is due partly to the cessar with them for plant part of the year, but employment at tion of development work, but it is Demand More Rest these wages is not so continuous as in while housing and sanitary conditions for ordinary laborers are below the Hawaiian standard. However wages in the Territory are lower, and the opportunity for a common laborer to advance is less, than in California.

'Skilled American and part-Hawaiian mechanics in Honolulu cara from three to five dollars a day, and un skilled laborers and helpers are paid one dollar and fifty cents and two dollars a day. Working people of this class live in small frame cottages, not so good as the houses occupied by and village workers of the same grade in our colder American climate. tut preferable as homes to many of tenements occupied by the skilled laboring population of large cities.

Cost Greater, Need Less

'Clothing costs more per article but less per individual than on the mainland. Little fuel is used except for cooking, and table expenses vary with the manner as well as the standard of living-this depending upon the pro-portion of imported food the taste of the workingman demands. The gen also have sought employment elseeral conditions of Hawaiian workers presents no evidence of economic bardship, though individual instances of such hardship doubtless occur.

"Beneath the surface also there must lurk traces of the struggle at-Hawaiian by oriental labor, which has continued ever since Asiatics began to leave field work for other occupations. However, this displacement has been caused by social antipathies almost as much as by economic competition, and data relating to its various phases are

Rural labor conditions are standardized by the nearly uniform practice of sugar plantations, and here we enter the realm of more exact information. Sugar plantations employ so large a part of the rural laboring population that other employers are obliged to conform to their labor standards. Moreover these plantations keep a statistical record of their labor his-

Report Is Unexcelled

Doctor Clark then enters somewhat fully into the organization of agriculproduction, and the influence "the plantation system" has had on all industrial development, and the unusual extent to which corporations have replaced individuals, as employers.
"The example and success of these

big companies influenced the organization of the industry in regions of direct rainfall, where otherwise cane farming structive to sugar cane, made workers might have remained relatively more dispersed than at present," he says. by which they were paid according to centralized system of agriculture, and resent the control over their economic independence which is thus given into the hands of plantation officials. But it doubtless is the most efficient way of making sugar, and, measured by this ing labor shortage caused more men to material standard, the fittest method of the employed on contract than former production has survived."

He then briefly outlines the which the plantations and the planters association hold in the industrial community, and gives a running account of the physical conditions of sugar ployers is less from saving in superviproduction so that anyone who has never seen cane grown can form a very give to the laboring force. Profit good idea of the entire range of field sharers not only work their own fields and manufacturing processes. Doctor well as a rule, but during certain peri Clark's detailed survey of the labor required in a sugar mill has never been have time to work for the plantation excelled in any private or government as day hands. And thex are always

publication. He says: Little Skill Required Mills generally work two shifts remaining on duty twefve hours and vary according to the kind of work taking their meals in the building. As done, and on some plantations there is their duties while exacting are not a sliding scale. Men working less than ardyous, the extra money they cars afteen days per month receive a less makes these positions eagerly sought daily wage than those who turn out by field hands. Some mills do not re- twenty, twenty-three or twenty six neive enough case to work double shifts, but are not able to handle their Managers More Economical cane in ordinary working hours. Un. The average daily earnings of 25,474 der these exceptional conditions it is men on wage time in 1902 was sixty. the practise to work long hours, paying eight cents; in 1905, sixty five cents; an excess rate for overtime. In such in 1910, seventy three cents; in 1915, job to job as convenience requires, of per cent from 1962 to 1915, and of conten without a change of pay. The tractors thirty five and two tenths per

classification of occupations varies in cent.

Stated another way, in 1902 each plantation i employe made eight and for laborers of this nationality on four-tenths tons of sugar, nine and five tenths tons in 1906, twelve tons in 1916.

Japaness Beautify Homes 4 The only Orientals except Filipinos who may be a connection the report who never that the connection the connection that the connection the report who may be connected to the connection that the connected that the con

says:
"The growth of product per employe has not depended on the secident of has not depended on the accident of sensors, but is the combined result of mill improvements, better methods of cultivation, and increasing labor efficiency. Rising wages have made managers more economical of labor; some laborious processes, such as stripping cane, have been curtailed, more operations are raid for by the rises and there is greater specialization of occupatiens than formerly."

After describing the bonus system Hawaii than it otherwise would be board of health, many plantations, es and birther than in countries having pecially on the Island of Hawaii, either a flexible labor supply, under existing conditions it is not likely to be chang-

ed. The only departure from this cui for occurred a year ago, when the haspect daily or at short intervals all price of sugar was very low. One plan laborers' quarters and to enforce proptation then inaugurated the plan of laying off its surplus hands a few days each week and paying them a sum suf- However, the inspectors are not a un The nationalities employed each seient for their subsistence during year since 1901 are treated in a table the time they were thus necessari which shows an increase in numbers ly idle. The company saved about from 39,587 in 1901 to 44,904 in 1915. \$2000 a week in "Although the amount of sugar managers. However followed by other managers. However, one other plantamade by these plantations increased tion sometimes advances the means of more than fifty per cent during the subsistence to men and families whom last ten years of this period, the num- it desires to retain in the neighborhood

ber of employes shows no appreciable pending the conclusion of contracts change. This is due partly to the cessa- with them for planting cane.

mainly the result of better methods of production. The shifting of nationalities has responded closely to the reiniting policy pursued at different times. Government assisted immigration accounts for the appearance of Planters' Association was 44,117 in Spaniards and Russians upon the pay November and the maximum number rolls and for the temporary rise in the was 46,663 in July. But more than number of Portuguese. "But the table indicates clearly that were school children, who usually wor white and Hawaiian laborers leave only a few days a month, and 300 were plantation work for other occupations women, who are also less regular la so rapidly that their numbers can be berers than men. Moreover, during the maintained only by constant accessions grinding season plantation pay rolls from without the Territory. The same are padded by the duplication of hands thing is even more observable in the who shift from contract to day labor of the Japanese on account of and the reverse as old contracts are

their large numbers. Since 1908 they closed and new ones begun. "But while there is little forced un have decreased from nearly 32,000 to employment in the sense that employes can not have work if they want it bout 24,000, in spite of the growing the men themselves claim that they car not labor continuously at ardudus field tasks without taking more than their Sunday leisure to recuperate. rally this depends upon the health and physical stamina of the individual, but n proctise few ordinary laborers work full month of twenty-six days. "A computation made by the Ha varian Planters' Association at the beginning of the present year showed that the Japanese on plantations work upon an average 21.9 days a month, or ghty-four per cent of full time, and Filipinos work 18 days a month or six-

apanese, but a smaller proportion of abor. Men with families are steadier workers than single men, which indi-ates that physical reasons alone do not ten is better than that received by statements showing the percentage of ecasion irregularity. The influence of family responsibility helps to aceach by nationality during the last ten Koreans lead as contractors. int for the better showing of the One third of all the Filipinos Japanese as compared with the Fili inos, for many of the former are mar ied, while the latter are mostly young angle men and youths. Average Yearly Earnings

"When the bonus system was in roduced it became necessary to keep complete record of the days worked nd the monthly earnings of each in dividual employed as a basis for the omputations it required. Before this, lantation timekcepers, who sometimes ave 3000 employes on their pay rolls nd seldom list laborers by name but v numbers, kept no record of cases here the same number was assigned different individuals in the course the year.

Several plantations, since the bonus antation and mill laborers. This able shows that the wages of Amed in 1914 were \$833.13; Chinese : Filipino, \$200.23; German Hawarian \$382.23; Japanese Forean, \$284.32; Porto Rican is 24; Partuguese, #350,77; Russian 368.07 and Spanish, \$264.54. The averge per capita wage for all races was

sugar, caused fewer to be employed on the didlar a day and above class whose ork is light but involves responsiion than from the permanence they

Housing Conditions Vary Housing conditions have vastly im

ruced, Doctor Clark says, since 1902 He says: . Considering the demands of the cli unte plantation workers are better oursed than many rural laborers, mine vorkers, and unskilled city workmen in the mainland. However, when new laoners from the Orient are introduced sich low standards of living and prim ive notions of bygiene, they invarialy determinate the quarters where they The recent large immication of Filipinos bus had this effect. As they are mostly single they are ofon placed in long tenements or barneke and some buildings of this type which it was hoped had been abolished from plantation camps—have been

moted for them. "I'm the island of Hawaii, where an cases men make increased carnings for eighty one cents. Contract cultivators series sublic health depurfment and the a few months, their hours increasing earned, in comparison, ninety-nine plantation amangers have cooperated toward mid-season and declining to cents, eighty three cents, ninety one to note very decided general improvemental when the grinding is finished, cents, and one dollar and twenty three ments sections of camps were seen there and Hawaiians, but that were on receipt of price by the Hollister Drug them down added dominoes used motorcycle to examine the craft and gerous cases are quickly cured by it.

1. The and impresentable under Flippino Co., or Benson, Smith & Co., agents for in the game of pai kan were seized as reported that it was a steamer's life for sale by all dealers. Benson, Smith accounts of the Hawaiian Islands.—Adv.

In this connection the report who now are apt to create bad camp con tions are the Okinawas, islanders subject to Japan, but speaking a different tanguage and having a lower timprovements, better methods of improvements, better methods of the stricted and who have remained there by. Rising wages have made man. They take naturally to a but life, and their standard of living rises slowly their standard of living rises slowly if at all. Porto Ricans formerly were in worse repute than Asiatics for filthy home surroundings, but those who now remain on the plantations, after fifteen years' residence in Hawaii, have a heeter reputation.

improvement is the effort made in sev-No forced unemployment becurs in eral places to beautify the home sur Hawaii, as in most other sugar count roundings of laborers. Japanese es year has been continued since the days of identured labor, when such a policy made camps more accessible and have was compulsory. Although the prac-

or in cooperation with their itary impectors, whose duty it is to inspect daily or at short intervals all er cleanliness. Camp, cleaners part of the regular plantation force. versal institution, and on a few remote plantations the health of laborers is till left principally to Providence.

"All large plantations provide hor pitals and medical attendance for their employes. Some of these hospitals equal the best connected with indus-trial establishments upon the main land, and are resorted to occasionally by pay patients from other parts of the Territory. Plantations not infre-quently send, at their own expense, il or injured workers who require special treatment to hospitals in Honolulu On the other hand, hospitals were visited on some plantations that provided to trained nurses, and contained few conveniences not afforded by the home-of the laborers themselves.

Contribute To Medical Fund
'Most plantation workers receiving the lower rates of pay are given med ical attendance and hospital care free but in some places ten cents a month for the medical fund. In isolated dis tricts throughout the Islands no hospi tals or adequate medical attendance are supplied by the plantations, for their workers. The employes of the independent cane growers are even less well provided with medical, hospital and sanitary facilities. All Europea immigrants assisted to Hawaii by the government, who are employed on plan tations, are entitled by the terms of their contracts with the territorial gov ernment to receive medical and hospita

care without charge. "As the same physician sometimer serves more than one plantation, and in most instances has a large number of employes to look out for, only accireceive much personal attention. But the people he attends are mostly in the prime of life and normally of y-nine per cent of full time Europeans healthy untecedents, working under danger of most indoor and industrip hem are engaged in arduous forms of diseases, and they are grouped conveniently for visiting in compact com other rural working people who employ dectors at their own expense."

> The next ten pages of Doctor Clark' report are devoted to discussions of the cost of living and the general soc ial conditions created by the plantation system in Hawaii and to discussion of the pineapple industry. He says:
> "It is only fifteen years since pine-

apple canning for export began in Ha wall, and it was not until 1904 that the annual output rose above 10,000 ases. Ten years later the pack had increased more than two-hundredfold. or to about 2,200,000 cases. Therefore this business began after Hawaii was a Territory of the United States and grew up under a system of free labor. But its organization does not differ materially from that of the sugar inystem went into effect have compiled dustry. The canneries are owned and verage yearly earnings of adult male some of the most profitable plantations fantation and mill laborers. This are cultivated directly by corporations. Among the more important of these companies is the large mainland enning firm of Libby, McNeill & Libby.

"Twelve canneries were in operation in 1915, of which four of the largest were in Honolula itself, and seven were in the island of Oahu, where Honolulu is situated. There were three can Anusier table shows that in the two neries in Maui and two in Kanai. Ha ears 1914 and 1915 employes who re wait, which is the largest of the is eived the bonus carned an average hands, has had two of these establish vage of one dollar and twelve cents ments, but both have gone out of bush day while those who received no ness. With one exception all the active onus earned one dollary and eleven plants are owned by corporations, and cents per day. The non-bonus earning the stock of some of them is sold on the Honolulu Stock and Bond Exand boys, pump and reservoir men of change. One is controlled by Jap anese; though its manager is a Portu guese and it is largely financed by ar merican bank. (Concluded in Next Issue.)

ONLY A BACKACHE

At first it, may be only a backache and too many people either wait for it to wear away or try to drive it out with linament or a plaster. Don't mis-take a kidney bachache. Put that pain to use. It is too valuable a warning to be overlooked. Suspect your kidneys. The kidneys are in the small of the back, and are quite likely to sche und throb if sore, cargested or in-flamed. If it is the kidneys that are

Utilities Board Intends To Know Whether Sugar Company Can Manipulate Rates

INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION INVOKED

Charges By Sugar Company For Transporting Merchandise Said To Be Illegal

The public utility commission intinated yesterday that it intends to asertain whether it can have jurisdicion over the Makee Sugar Company's groom.
Miss Tong arrived in the Lurline yes nilway line, and that it intends to take teps which will compel the rallway to and merchandise from Kealia wharf o Kapaa, for the small merchants of Kapas, at reasonable rates.

As told recently, the merchants of Capan sent a complaint to the Inter- princes of the Pacific Coast. tate Commerce Commission in Washington, against exorbitant freight thirges alleged to be maintained by the Makee Sugar Company's railway

Company Makes Position Known

In answer to these complaints the empany wrote to the commission that the line was intended solely for its private use as a case carrier, and that if it was given the alternative of reducing its freight rates to the small merchants or limiting its transportation to its surely private business, it would cease hauling, thus being no longer a chairman Forbes told the public

tilities commission yesterday be undertood the Makee Sugar Company's line iready had sent out notices to Honoluln merchants, advising them not to send shipments to Kenlin when destined for Kapsa, as its line would not handle

What Company's Attitude Means Forbes said this means that hereaf ter the Kapaa dealers will have to receive their shipments at Nawiliwili, goods, laid down at Kapsa, about four dollars or five dollars more than the present cost.

"If means can be found, we should try to compel the Makee railway line to carry these merchants' goods, and at reasonable rates," Forbes declared. railway's present rate, I understand, is based to some extent on what favorite. She has held the rank sex it would cost to carry the goods by eral years as the "Queen of China wagon over from Nawiliwili, instead town" in San Francisco. of being based on the normal cost of

have been exorbitant." Will Have Issues Settled

tion concerning the status of the wharf lulu owing to his frequent visits here. it Kealia, with a view to ascertaining The Gunus were married in San Franwhether the Territory can compel the cisco only a few months ago, and are nilway company to let the Kapan deal-ers' shipments be landed there. The tain is head of the aviation corps of Tovernor also is to be asked concern- the swelling army of the great repub-ing the status of the lease held by the lic of the Orient. railway company on the government lands over which a portion of its line both his parents being Chinese. He is

merce Commission can." said James L. Coke, attorney for the commission, ally bright young man, 'And if that body takes up the mat-

INSPECTOR OF GAS METERS IS WANTED

Itilities Board Will Consider Matter At Early Date

At an early date the public utilities ommission will consider the advisabil ty of appointing an inspector of gas eters in Honolulu. The subject was rought to the board's attention yeserday in a letter from Frank Q. Can-He already had discussed with Commissioner A. J. Gignoux, ho favors the idea.

The theory is that an official inspecor, representing the public rather han the company, will give better satsfaction to consumers, while it will ave the company the burden of much omplaint from householders, who fice put small faith in the meters, Manager Cannon offers to discuss the roposal with the commission when it s ready to undertake the matter.

AALA-LANE GAMBLING JOINT RAIDED AGAIN

The notorious Asla tane gambling cint was raided last night by the cap sching there may be other conditions to confirm the suspicion, such as too frequent, scanty or painful urination, and sediment in the urine; dizzy spells, recurring headaches, nervousness and a dull, tired state. Then it's time to use teen dollars each, and will appear for trial to the condition of detectives and his "wrecking tree," Following two trips of the patrollers were taken to jail. They were released later on depositing fiftend the conditions of the conditions to the denter of the conditions to the conditions to the denter of the conditions to the conditions to the denter of the conditions to the conditions Doan's Backache Kidney Pills. Doan's trial in the police court this morning. Backache Kidney Pills are sold by all charged with gambling. The deter-So little special skill is required for ents. The average daily earning of that formerly had been fairly clean druggists and storekeepers at 50c, a tives, after surrounding the joint, millwork that men are shifted from adult male field hands increased eleven and attractive when eccupied by Jap box (six boxes \$2.50), a tives, after surrounding the joint, millwork that men are shifted from adult male field hands increased eleven and attractive when eccupied by Jap box (six boxes \$2.50), a tives, after surrounding the joint, millwork that men are shifted from adult male field hands increased eleven and attractive when eccupied by Jap box (six boxes \$2.50) by the Hellister Deng there down and the same are shifted from adult male field hands increased eleven and attractive when eccupied by Jap

DAUGHTER OF RICH ELECTRIC CO CHINESE IS BRIDE HIGHLY LA

'Queen of Chinatown' In San Francisco Wedded To Prominent Young Maui Celestial

(From Wednesday Advertiser) romance of California and Ha A waii, the union of a Native Daughter of the Golden West and a Native Son of the Paradise of the Pacific, was brought to a happy culmi-nation in Honolulu at eight o'clock has night when Rev. Henry Bond Rests rick, dean of the St. Andrew's Cathe dral, married Miss Anna V. Tong of San Francisco to Apau Paul Low of Wailuku, Maui.

The wedding ceremony was perform ed at the home of the brideproom's brother, 1640 Kalakaua avenue, Wai-kiki, which was prettily decorated for the occasion. Only intimate friends were present, the official witnesses to the ceremony being James F. O. Yapp and Tan Lo, a brother of the bride

terday morning from San Francisco, be ing accompanied on the trip by Mr. Yapp, an old and intimate friend of the parents of the young couple. She is a native of San Francisco and the daughter of one of the Chinese merchant

Tears At Final Parting

The bride's father, who is a venerable widower, was at the pier in San Fran-cisco at the sailing of the Lurline with many friends of the young bride. He was the center of much attention, dress ed as he was in beautiful Chinese silk robes, such as merchants of high castle and great wealth only are permitted to wear in China. Chinese, as a rule, are not an emotional race and tears are seldom seen in their eyes, even on the suddest of occasions, but on this occasion Mrs. Low's father and many of those present at the parting were stired with the deepest emotion on the leaving of the fair Chinese daughter of California, and manly, womanly and maidenly tears stained many

Mrs. Low is a beautiful and charming oung woman. She gave her age yesterday at 21 when "Cupid" P. Woods timorously inquired what i might be, while filling in the marriage license. She is a graduate of the Oak-land High School and the University of California at Berkeley-an American in and then haul them overland by wagon, education, refinement and personal appearance, with just a quaint touch or the Orient to denote her family de

Was Social Favorite

On the trip down to Honolulu Mrs. Low was the life and soul of all social functions aboard the vessel. She is a musician of rare ability and a social

"Oh, how beautiful!" transportation by rail from Kealia. claimed early yesterday morning when 'There is no doubt but that the pres- she first caught sight of her future ent rates, or those to which the Kapaa home and it was her home, Maui, the dealers have been subjected, are or island first seen in the morning light

in the far herizon. Mrs. Low is a sister of Mrs. Gunn. At the chairman's suggestion the wife of Capt. Tom Gunn, the Chinese ommission will ask the barbor commis- avintor, who is well known in Hono-

A. P. Low is a native son of Hawaii, new assistant county engineer at Wai "If we can't get some action on the luku, Maui, his home. Low is a gradcompany I believe the Interstate Com- unte of Stanford University, at Palo Alto, California, and is an exception-

It was while Mr. Low was a student er, it likely will authorize this board at Palo Alto that he first met his fu to act as its representative in the ture wife. He was introduced to her at a big-Chinese social function in Sau had won his fair country woman's reduction in rates. promise to marry him. Mr. Low is Books In Excellent Shape wenty-five years of age.

Wedding Day Hastened

On the arrival of the Lurline a gay party, headed by the expectant bridegroom, was at the pier to receive and welcome the fair bride. The meeting was a pleasant one, and the couple were soon the center of attraction. the way down the fair bride had quietly given out the intimation that she would not wed before December-Christmas Eve would just about suit her, she said. The young couple got into a machine

as soon as the fair arrival came ashore. They toured the city, Mr. Low showipg his bride the beauties of Honolulu. She would wait until December, she thought, but he pressed his suit so well shortly afterward the couple called on "Copid" Woods and the necessary license was secured. Low had everything planned beforehand. Bishop Restarick was in his confidence, and the exact hour for the wedding had and this commission will not attempt been fixed before the Lurline hove in the physical valuation of the utility unlight of Honolulu. Mr. and Mrs. Low will leave in the

Mauna Kea this morning for their fu ture home in Wailuku, Maui.

LIFEBOAT MISTAKEN FOR LOST WHALEBOAT

A deck life boat, evidently lost from

Chairman of Commission Says City To Be Congratulated On Service Given

MANAGEMENT IS EXCELLENT AND RATES FOR JUICE CUT

Plant In Fine Shape and Employes Thoroughly Satisfied. **Asserts Report**

By both the written and the spoken word the public utilities commission yesterday offered high praise and comnendation in behalf of the Hawaiian Electric Company, for its businesslike methods, its management in general and the conscientious, fair-minded way it has served the public of Honolulu.

The occasion was the reading and adoption of findings on the company's business, prepared by Charles B. Forbes, chairman of the board. The written re-port hasped encomiums upon the public service corporation. Speaking to the subject, Chairman Forbes said in addi-

Management Is Excellent

"Nothing throughout the course of our careful, thorough investigation of its plant, its books and its service, dis closed anything that called for criticism. We even asked patrons and sought as much as possible to find any who might have complaint but were not "It is true that rates for electric

juice are lower on the Coast than here. out the local company has far different conditions to meet and so far as pparent the rates in operation are ab olutely fair and reasonable in every re-

"The corporation is planning and naking large extensions into the outer listricts, necessitating financial outlay that it cannot get back in many years; thus showing that it seeks to give its service to as many citizens of the community as possible."

Rates Have Been Reduced The written findings show that the corporation has reduced its rates from en to eight cents per kilowat, "notwithstanding that the company has in anticipation the reconstruction of its

fatire plant and an extension of its The report continues: "The company has entered into greements with the army and navy oficials to extend its lines and supply electric light and power to the naval tation and Fort Kamehameha at Pearl Harbor, and Schofield Barracks at Cast

Discussing rates the commission hairman says in his findings that the establishment of rates which are certain to be equitable to both consumer and the company is an exceedingly difficult one in the case of electric companies because the elements to be con

Present Rate Satisfactory But in the present instance the rate after deep study, has appeared to be satisfactory. The commission finds, in

sidered are so diverse

addition that: "Its plant is kept in excellent rapair that its employes are satisfied with their surroundings, their wage scale, and pany has developed, in the matter of electric energy, a service to the people of Honolulu, equal to any similar institution on the mainland.

"Until a physical valuation of the plant has been made, it will be impos-Francisco. It was a case of love at sible for the commission to determine first sight, and not long afterward he whether there should be any further

"The condition of the books and acounts is nousually good. Investigations show that all items of expense connected with the institution have been well kept, together with the youch ers which accurately reveal the outlays which the company has made in public service. There appears to be no un certainty about the matter, as examinations show that the company has sur ceeded in evolving or adapting a sysem of accounting that has enabled the commission to make its investigation without the usual necessary annoyance encountered in examining the affairs of public utility corporations.

"In the matter of physical valuation and depreciation, the company is now engaged in the preparation of this report.

Valuation Still Pending

"The value of the plant in a great measure plays an important part, in the rates charged for current consumed til the utility has submitted a physical value. With this report the commis-sion will be confronted with the fundamental question of determining the actual amount of the investment upon which a reasonable return and rates ean be made.

"We still give chief weight and im portance to the actual cost to the company within a recent period as will be designated by their report on deprecia-

> *** TEETHING CHILDREN.

Teething children have more or less some steamer plying to and from Hon- giving Chamberlain's Colic. Cholera olulu, which at first was believed to be and Diarrhoea Remedy. All that is nee the whaleboat in which five soldiers assury is to give the prescribed described Port Shafter were marooned and after each operation of the bowels lost their lives, recently, was found by more than natural and then castor oil ing on the reef at Kailun vesterday. to cleanse the system. It is safe and Sergeant Frazier left the posts on a sure. Even the most severe and dan-